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The Security Council,

Reaffirming all its previous resolutions and statements of its President concerning the situation in Somalia, in particular resolution 733 (1992), which established an embargo on all delivery of weapons and military equipment to Somalia (hereinafter referred to as the "Somalia arms embargo"), as elaborated and amended by subsequent relevant resolutions, as well as resolutions 1844 (2008) and 1916 (2010),

Reaffirming its respect for the sovereignty, territorial integrity, political independence and unity of Somalia,

Condemning flows of weapons, ammunition supplies, and financial and technical assistance related to such supplies, to and through Somalia in violation of the arms embargo as a serious threat to peace and stability in Somalia,

Reiterating its insistence that all States, in particular those in the region, should refrain from any action in contravention of the Somalia arms embargo and take all necessary steps to hold violators accountable,

Calling upon all States to effectively implement the targeted measures imposed in resolution 1844 (2008),

Underscoring the importance of upholding the principles of neutrality, impartiality, humanity and independence in the provision of humanitarian assistance,

Noting the reviews conducted by the Security Council on the effects of the measures set out in paragraph 5 of resolution 1916, and *noting* the reports by the Humanitarian Aid Coordinator for Somalia dated 12 July 2010, 23 November 2010 and 2 March 2011,

Determining that the situation in Somalia continues to constitute a threat to international peace and security in the region,

Acting under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations,

1. *Stresses* the obligation of all States to comply fully with the measures imposed by resolution 733 (1992) as elaborated and amended by subsequent relevant resolutions, and the measures imposed by resolution 1844 (2008);

2. *Reaffirms* the obligation on all parties to promote and ensure compliance with international humanitarian law in Somalia;

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3. *Underscores* the importance of humanitarian aid operations, *condemns* any politicization of humanitarian assistance, or misuse or misappropriation, and *calls upon* Member States and the United Nations to take all feasible steps to mitigate these aforementioned practices in Somalia;

4. *Decides* that for a period of sixteen months from the date of this resolution, and without prejudice to humanitarian assistance programmes conducted elsewhere, the obligations imposed on Member States in paragraph 3 of resolution 1844 (2008) shall not apply to the payment of funds, other financial assets or economic resources necessary to ensure the timely delivery of urgently needed humanitarian assistance in Somalia, by the United Nations, its specialized agencies or programmes, humanitarian organizations having observer status with the United Nations General Assembly that provide humanitarian assistance, or their implementing partners;

5. *Requests* the Emergency Relief Coordinator to report to the Security Council by 15 November 2011 and again by 15 July 2012 on the implementation of paragraphs 3 and 4 above, and on any impediments to the delivery of humanitarian assistance in Somalia, and *requests* relevant United Nations agencies and humanitarian organizations having observer status with the United Nations General Assembly that provide humanitarian assistance to assist the United Nations Humanitarian Aid Coordinator for Somalia in the preparation of such report by providing information relevant to paragraphs 3 and 4 above;

6. *Decides* to remain actively seized of the matter.